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1. THE DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES UNDER ANNEX III OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS REGARDING CERTAIN MARITIME MATTERS MET IN MOSCOW DURING THE PERIOD MAY 13 THROUGH MAY 24, 1974, FOR DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT. A SUMMARY OF THESE TALKS FOLLOWS:

2. BULK CARGO MOVEMENTS.

A. FOR BULK RAW OR PROCESSED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES DETERMINED, FOR THE FIRST ACCOUNTING PERIOD 7/1/72 THROUGH 12/31/73, THAT NATIONAL FLAG PARTICIPATION, BASED ON ACTUAL SHIPMENT FROM U.S. PORTS TO USSR PORTS, WAS 19,581.9 THOUSAND METRIC TONS, OF WHICH U.S. FLAG CARRIAGE WAS 3,502.1 TONS (17.9 PERCENT), USSR FLAG CARRIAGE 3,236.1 TONS (16.5 PERCENT) AND THIRD-FLAG LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CARRIAGE 12,843.7 TONS (65.6 PERCENT).

B. FOR OTHER BULK CARGOES CONSISTING OF CHROME ORE, ALUMINA AND OIL DETERMINED, FOR THE FIRST ACCOUNTING PERIOD FOR THESE CARGOES, 10/22/72 THROUGH 12/31/73, THAT NATIONAL FLAG PARTICIPATION IN BILATERAL TRADE, BASED ON ACTUAL SHIPMENTS, WAS 1,902.6 THOUSAND METRIC TONS OF WHICH U.S. FLAG CARRIAGE WAS 758.5 TONS (39.9 PERCENT), USSR FLAG CARRIAGE 53.6 TONS (2.8 PERCENT) AND THIRD FLAG CARRIAGE 1,090.5 TONS (57.3 PERCENT).

C. USDEL ADVISED THAT TOTAL VOLUME RAW AND PROCESSED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES EXPECTED TO BE FIXED OR SHIPPED FROM U.S. TO USSR DURING PERIOD 1/1/74 THROUGH 12/31/74 WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 2.75 MILLION METRIC TONS. MINIMUM U.S. SHARE ESTABLISHED AT 0.92 MILLION METRIC TONS. PRELIMINARY DATA FOR FIRST QUARTER 1974 INDICATES TOTAL ACTUAL SHIPMENTS 1,044.3 THOUSAND METRIC TONS OF WHICH U.S. CARRIED 472.7 TONS (45.3 PERCENT), USSR 230.1 TONS (22 PERCENT) AND THIRD FLAG 341.5 TONS (32.7 PERCENT).

D. AGREED TO EXTEND THE INDEX METHOD FOR DETERMINING FREIGHT RATES FOR THE CARRIAGE OF RAW OR PROCESSED AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES FOR THE PERIOD 7/1/74 THROUGH 12/31/74 WITH NO CHANGES IN CHARTER PARTY.

### 3. LINER CARGO MOVEMENTS.

A. DETERMINED THAT IMBALANCE IN LINER CARGO CARRYINGS OF CONTROLLED CARGO NOTED IN NOVEMBER 24, 1973 MEMORANDUM, ALTHOUGH DIMINISHED, CONTINUES TO EXIST AND ENDORSED EFFORTS TAKEN IN ACCORD WITH THE MEMORANDUM TO ESTABLISH PARITY IN CARRYINGS OF CONTROLLED CARGO EXPRESSING EXPECTATION THAT THROUGH CONTINUANCE OF SUCH EFFORTS PARITY MAY BE ACHIEVED BEFORE TERMINATION OF CURRENT ACCOUNTING PERIOD. ALSO STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF HAVING PUBLIC ENTITIES PARTICIPATING IN ESTABLISHMENT OF ROUTING OF CONTROLLED LINER CARGO ASSUME OBLIGATION FOR AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE MEASURES RELATING TO THE OFFERING AND ROUTING OF ALL SUCH CARGO TO PORTS SERVED BY U.S. FLAG VESSELS.

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B. ALL CARGOES MOVING IN THE BILATERAL TRADE MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR IN DETERMINING SUBSTANTIAL PARTICIPATION. NO EXCEPTIONS FROM ACCOUNTABLE LINER SHARE CALCULATIONS OF CONTROLLED CARGO CARRYINGS WILL BE PERMITTED.

C. TRANSSHIPMENT CARGOES TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR ON BASIS OF FREIGHT THROUGH BILLS AND CREDIT NOTES. PRELIMINARY CALCULATIONS TO BE ON 70 - 30 BASIS PENDING RECEIPT BY CONTRACTOR OF ACTUAL

SOURCE DATA.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONSULAR.

A. USDEL INFORMED THE SOVIET DEL OF THE REQUIREMENT THAT ALL REQUESTS WORLDWIDE TO AMERICAN CONSULAR OFFICERS FOR CREW LIST VISAS BE SUBMITTED IN LATIN CHARACTERS. IT WAS NOTED THAT SOVIET REQUESTS FOR CREW LIST VISAS SUBMITTED OUTSIDE THE USSR ARE NORMALLY IN LATIN CHARACTERS, BUT BOTH DELEGATIONS NOTED ALSO THAT SPELLINGS WERE INCONSISTENT. FOR THE SAKE OF UNIFORMITY AND EFFICIENCY IT WAS AGREED THAT IN ALL SOVIET REQUESTS FOR CREW LIST VISAS CYRILLIC CHARACTERS WOULD BE TRANSLITERATED INTO LATIN BY USE OF THE BGN/PCGN SYSTEM. THE SOVIET DEL POINTED OUT THAT TIME WOULD BE NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE SYSTEM, AND A TARGET DATE OF JULY 1, 1974 WAS AGREED UPON. THE SOVIETDEL REQUESTED, AND THE USDEL CONCURRED, THAT SHOULD THE JULY 1 DATE PROVE INFEASIBLE, A BRIEF DELAY WOULD BE ARRANGED BY MUTUAL CONSENT. AS A FURTHER AID TO EFFICIENCY AND ACCURACY, IT WAS AGREED THAT INITIALLY THE CREW LIST VISAS WOULD BE SUBMITTED IN BOTH CYRILLIC AND LATIN, WITH THE LATTER DIRECTLY UNDER THE FORMER. THE SAME TRANSLITERATION SYSTEM WOULD BE USED FOR PLACE NAMES AND MONTHS IN STATING PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH. FOR NAMES OF SHIPS LLOYD'S REGISTRY WOULD CONTINUE TO BE USED, UNLESS LLOYD'S REGISTER IN REGARD TO THE NAME OF A PARTICULAR SHIP IS SHOWN TO BE INACCURATE.

B. THE SOVIET DEL ACKNOWLEDGED SOVINFLLOT RESPONSIBILITY TO EXTEND ALL NEEDED ASSISTANCE TO U.S. SEAMEN NORMALLY PROVIDED BY GENERAL AGENTS AND TO CALL UPON AMERICAN CONSULAR OFFICERS ONLY IN EXCEPTIONAL CASES.

C. THE SOVIET DEL INFORMED THE US. DEL OF REQUIREMENTS AT SOVIET PORTS FOR ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION. ALONG WITH THE SHIPS' CERTIFICATES, PASSPORTS AND MASTER ROLLS, THE DOCUMENTATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REQUIRED CONSISTS OF THE STANDARD IMCO DOCUMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

- GENERAL DECLARATION IN 5 COPIES
- CARGO DECLARATION IN 4 COPIES
- LIST OF CURRENCY AND JEWELRY OWNED BY CREW IN 2 COPIES
- LIST OF PASSENGERS IN 4 COPIES
- LIST OF CREW IN 4 COPIES

THE USDEL AGREED TO INFORM AMERICAN SHIPOWNERS OF THESE REQUIREMENTS.

D. NO AGREEMENT ON ADDITIONAL PORTS REACHED. SOVIETDEL PROPOSED SUBSTITUTION OF 6 NEW PORTS FOR 6 PORTS PRESENTLY ON THE U.S. LIST. USDEL REJECTED SOVIET PROPOSAL ON SUBSTITUTIONS.

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